

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Maryland Department of Natural Resources
Fishing and Boating Services
Closure of Durdin Oyster Bar (Kent County) — Effective 1/28/2020

WHAT THIS NOTICE DOES

The Secretary of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources announces that a portion of Durdin oyster bar (Kent County) is closed to oyster harvest.

AREA CLOSED

Durdin (PSFA 70 (NOB 5-11): Chester River)

All the waters of the Chester River southeast of Durdin Creek enclosed by a line beginning at a point defined by Lat. 39°1.455' N, Long. 76°11.747' W; then running 297° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°1.528' N, Long. 76°11.928' W; then running 329° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°1.619' N, Long. 76°11.999' W; then running 74° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°1.680' N, Long. 76°11.719' W; then running 153° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°1.506' N, Long. 76°11.606' W; then running 245° True to the point of beginning.

PURPOSE OF THIS CLOSURE

The purpose of this closure is to conserve oysters that have grown from industry plantings of spat-on-shell made in 2016, 2017, and 2018 for future harvest. This closure was requested by the Kent County Oyster Committee.

WHO THIS NOTICE AFFECTS

This closure applies to all individuals who catch oysters recreationally or commercially.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This notice is effective at 12:01 a.m. January 28, 2020. The area is closed until further notice. A new notice will be issued if the area is reopened to harvest.

AUTHORITY

Code of Maryland Regulations 08.02.04.11G

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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